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TO AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:PEPR, PGOV, YS, US

SUBJECT: PDRY DEMAND FOR U.S. EMBASSY PROPERTY IN ADEN

REF: STATE 106164

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED BY U.K. EMBASSY THAT  
PROTEST NOTE (REF) HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO PDRY MFA BUT  
THAT BRITISH REPRESENTATIVES WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SEE  
SHADLI UNTIL SATURDAY, APRIL 29. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN  
INFORMED THAT MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS INTENDS TO  
PROCEED WITH TAKEOVER OF BUILDING SAME MORNING. THE  
BRITISH HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS  
REPRESENTATIVES WILL MAKE AN OFFER FOR MOVABLE PROPERTY  
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IN THE BUILDING AT THAT TIME. APPARENTLY IF THE BRITISH  
DO NOT ACCEPT THE OFFER THE PROPERTY WILL BE TRANSFERRED  
TO A GOVERNMENT WAREHOUSE AND STORED.

2. THE BASIS OF OUR PROTEST WAS THE PEREMPTORY NATURE OF  
THE PDRY TAKEOVER OF OUR BUILDING. THE PDRY'S REFUSAL TO  
ALLOW U.K. SUFFICIENT TIME TO MAKE FORMAL REPRESENTATION

ON OUR BEHALF REINFORCES OUR EARLIER CONTENTION. SINCE WE HAVE NOT RECOGNIZED THE PDRY'S DEMAND FOR OUR PROPERTY, WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO ACCEDE TO ANY ATTEMPT TO SELL MOVABLE PROPERTY WITHIN.

3. EMBASSY LONDON IS THEREFORE INSTRUCTED TO ASK THE BRITISH TO CONVEY TO PDRY THE POINTS CONTAINED PARA 2 AND, FURTHER, TO INSIST THAT THE MOVABLE PROPERTY BE TRANSFERRED TO A GOVERNMENT WAREHOUSE. VANCE

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